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# **RAINBOWRIDGE FARM**



## **Gladiolus Price List**

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Rainbowridge Farm is located three miles north of Plainfield, Indiana. "The Friendly Folk's Village" which is on the Old Trails National Road, fourteen miles west of Indianapolis.

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PLAINFIELD, INDIANA

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## **Greetings, 1929.**

**A**NOTHER year has rolled around with many changes most of them for the better we hope for most of you. Familiar faces of some of our friends have passed from our life and others have come in to take their places. To the glad fans new varieties must be added to the lists each year so that new early morning thrills will be provided.

A few varieties are missing from the list this year, some are being propagated and will appear later and others are being replaced by newer, better and similar ones.

We try to add a few new and better varieties each year at a price that can be reached by all who want something different and out of the ordinary.

The gladiolus can be grown successfully in every state in the Union and almost every country in the world where other crops maturing in a similar length of time abound. They are not fussy as to soil, care or climate but will do best when given plenty of cultivation in medium rich soil where they can get plenty of sun and air. Glads will not tolerate shade or wet feet. When planting bear in mind to use the sunniest spot available, and keep away from foundations, walls, trees and shrubs.

Of course rich garden soil will give more vigorous spikes and flowers, than poor and they respond willingly to extra care. Cultivate all through the season even after they have bloomed so a new vigorous bulb will develop full of pep and energy for the following year.

Plant any time from the last of April to about the first week of July covering the bulbs with about two inches of soil for all sizes but be sure you do get them at least this deep for beginners sometimes are fooled in handling loose soil. Bulbs can be spaced in the rows according to amount of ground you have to spare. Commercial growers put them in thickly. Glad fans generally string them out pretty well.

As soon as you think growth has stopped and before tops get too brown the bulbs should be dug, the tops cut off close to bulb to conserve space, and spread out in a shady place to dry. Those planted in April should be ready to dig in September and so on through the season. Store in a dry, frost-proof place not too close to source of heat.

After selling bulbs at retail for several seasons I have found that nearly every buyer leaves it to me to pick the bulbs that will do them the most good for their money so instead of giving prices of several sizes at different prices only one size will be listed this year. If any one wishes smaller sizes in larger amounts so they can grow their own I will gladly quote prices.

All orders are priced parcel post paid and will be sent out in Spring just before early planting time.

CLIFFORD L. JESSUP.

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## First Section

**Mr. W. H. Phipps:** This is the king of the pink glads. Many monster blooms out at once, from twelve to twenty. Soft La France pink. Sufficient stock in the country is causing this to be offered at very reasonable prices. Our stock is as yet limited but we can offer a few at 25 cents each. \$2.50 per dozen.

**Mrs. Leon Douglas:** One of the largest if not the largest glad in existence. Wide open imposing blooms of begonia rose and scarlet. 15 cents each, \$1.50 per dozen.

**Opalescent:** Pure sparkling iridescent lavender. Unlike most lavenders, this is extra strong growing. 15 cents each, \$1.50 per dozen.

**Crinkles:** This dainty ruffled rose variety has been out several years but has always been in such demand propagation cannot bring the price down to levels of other varieties. 35 cents each.

**Orange Queen:** This is the queen of the orange glads. An unusual shade of orange bronze that shows up clear across the field. A heavy multiplier considerably reduced in price. 15 cents each. \$1.50 per dozen.

**Allen V. Bunce:** Bright orange yellow with central lines of deep claret. Large well expanded flowers on graceful spikes. 40 cents each.

**Glorianna:** Soft salmon with yellow throat. The most exquisite and dainty glad to date. 40 cents each.

**Golden Frills:** Pure golden frilled petals with a pronounced vertical line of brilliant pink in the center of the lip makes this one outstanding and not easily forgotten. 50 cents each.

**Byron L. Smith:** Beautiful soft lavender with light yellow throat. Not a strong grower or reproducer but so much in demand we will grow it until another takes its place. 15 cents each. \$1.50 per dozen.

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Every variety listed here has been tried out on the farm and found good for cut flowers. Not every one is perfect by any means but has desirable qualities that cause it to be kept and grown year after year. Most every one grows very strong and multiplies easily but some must be propagated from the little bulblets that grow near the base of the bulbs. These can be saved at digging time and planted in Spring very thickly. Not all will grow but many will and make nice young bulbs for the coming seasons.

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## Second Section

Bulbs in this section 10 cents each. \$1.00 per dozen. Six and three at dozen rate. \$6.00 per hundred. Not less than 50 at hundred rate.

**J. A. Carbone:** Large iridescent orange salmon, darker shading toward tips of the petals.

**Sidney Plummer:** A tall growing, soft yellow. ruffled.

**Giant Nymph:** Large wide open, soft rose pink flowers, tall erect spikes.

**Mrs. H. E. Bothin:** Delicate flesh pink, well ruffled petals with a pleasing red throat. A strong growing heavy spiked variety.

**Jack London:** Another strong growing, heavy spiked variety of light salmon striped vermillion. Canary yellow throat with ruby stripes.

**Challenger:** Soft velvety red that is in a class by itself. Very pleasing.

**Poli Negri:** Soft salmon apricot and yellow blend together to make this a rather odd flower for those who want something unusual.

**Milady:** Extra tall, strong, ruffled variety of creamy white, yellow throat with purple feather.

**Scarlet Wonder:** Extra large, wide open blooms of scarlet.

**Richard Diener:** A soft pink with a lighter throat that has always been in heavy demand.

**Golden Measure:** A tall growing, heavy spiked yellow.

**Early Snowflake:** Large flowered white that resembles a lily when well grown.

**Ming Toy:** Pure buff, no markings. A favorite.

**Rose Ash:** A harmonious blending of soft smokey hues of rose, ash grey, etc., on ruffled petals with a touch of yellow and ruby in the throat makes this a mighty popular glad.

**Marie Kunderd:** A ruffled white that is white. Lavender stamens adds a touch that makes this one of the daintiest and most refined glads in existence.



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## Third Section

Bulbs in this section 8 cents each; 80 cents per dozen. Six and three at dozen rate. \$4.80 per hundred. Fifty at hundred rate.

**Jewel:** A tall growing, early prim with wide open pink and yellow blossoms.

**Lucette:** An ivory white with phlox pink suffusion. A sure strong bloomer.

**Mary Pickford:** One of the daintiest cream white with soft primrose yellow throat. Each spike makes a compact bouquet in itself.

**Crimson Glow:** A sure growing and sure blooming crimson. This red goes into nearly every collection.

**Anna Eberius:** Pure velvety purple with little darker throat. Large wide open flowers on good strong spikes.

**Theda:** Shrimp pink and yellow. One of the quickest and strongest bloomers in list.

**Souvenir:** Pure golden yellow without markings. Blossoms medium size. A strong grower and bloomer.

**Albania:** Wide open slightly ruffled blossoms of pure white. This is the glad to have to mix with the more gaudy ones to set them off.

## Fourth Section

Bulbs in this section, 5 cents each; 50 cents per dozen. Six at dozen rate. \$3.00 per hundred. Fifty at hundred rate.

**Alice Tiplady:** Bright orange saffron. One of the most popular glads in America today. A real friend.

**Mrs. Francis King:** Brilliant flame pink. Large flowers and large spikes. Free bloomer and grower.

**Mrs. Frank Pendleton:** Flesh pink with very bright contrasting throat of scarlet. Old but still very popular.

**Lily White:** An early pure white. Strong sure bloomer. Very dependable.

**Schwaben:** Old time favorite yellow that has stood the test of time. Many blossoms pop out at once making each spike a bouquet.



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**E. J. Shaylor:** Ruffled rose pink. A tall sturdy grower that always can be depended upon. A little too good to be put in the nickle class but it is very prolific and we have a wonderful stock.

## TULIPS

We will have this year two mighty good varieties of tulips to offer at fifty cents per dozen, three dollars per hundred. Pride of Haarlem, bright American Beauty rose, a tall Darwin and a fine clear yellow cottage, Inglescomb yellow. These can be ordered at any time and will be delivered just before planting time in the fall.

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An urgent and cordial invitation is extended to all flower lovers to visit the farm during the blooming season which begins the first of May with the tulips. Then comes the daisies and other perennials. The glad season starts the first of July and continues until frost and freezing weather cuts them down.

There has been some reductions in price on some varieties especially the medium classed ones. All who ordered here at the gardens last summer at last year's prices will have extras placed in their orders to make up for this difference in price.

### Floral Service

All during the blooming season we are prepared to furnish cut flowers, baskets, funeral sprays and designs in pleasing combinations of colors made up from glads, dahlias, greens and other flowers entirely of our own growing.

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